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Former local man helped identify Unabomber

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Between the Unabomber and the Montana Freeman, former Granite City resident Clinton Van Zandt is very popular right now.

A former FBI agent, it was his security consulting firm's analysis of private letters and the Unabomber manifesto that led to the arrest of Theodore Kaczynski. Kaczynski, suspected of being the Unabomber responsible for three deaths and 23 injuries since the late 1970s, has been

charged in Montana with possession of bomb parts.

As the FBI's former chief hostage negotiator involved in the Waco and Ruby Ridge incidents, Van Zandt is in demand as a commentator on the stand-off in Montana.

"I'm getting caught between the two," he said Tuesday. "It's been an absolute media feeding frenzy."

Fame is always fleeting, and today's news becomes tomorrow's history," he said. "I'm waiting for this to become history."

Van Zandt — a 1963 graduate of

Granite City High School and a 1971 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville — retired from the FBI last year after 25 years.

During much of that time, he was a hostage negotiator and spent the last few years of his career in the bureau's behavioral science unit doing personality profiles and threat assessments.

After leaving the FBI, he became a security consultant in Fredricksburg, Va. He became involved in the Unabomber case in December when a private investigator from Chicago

asked if his company could do a comparison of the Unabomber's 35,000-word manifesto and two personal letters.

Van Zandt performed two analyses. He said the first, using a psychiatrist and a linguist, established a 60 percent probability that the letters and manifesto were written by the same person.

The second analysis by two communications experts produced an 80 percent likelihood.

"I advised my client about the

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'I don't want to see the FBI going up against Americans guns to guns unless it's absolutely necessary.'

— Clinton Van Zandt
Former FBI hostage negotiator



Her day — Jane Knight, center, takes advantage of a special Grandparents' Day set aside by Niedringhaus School to have lunch with her grandsons, Nick Roberts, 11, left, and his brother, Ryan, 6, right. More photos on Page 5A.

Annexation
plan advances
Madison targets National CityBy Scott Cousins
Staff writer

While National City village officials have said they don't want to consider joining neighboring communities, Madison city officials Tuesday approved a plan to begin negotiations to absorb the town.

At a meeting Tuesday, the Madison City Council approved a motion to allow City Attorney Casper Nighoshian to start negotiating with National City on a possible merger or annexation.

Alderman John Hamm, chairman of the council's Finance Committee, said the National Stockyard Co. is encouraging National City to start negotiations with nearby communities. "We need to get involved," Hamm said.

Both Madison and Fairmont City have submitted proposals to the stockyards. Both Hamm and Fairmont City Mayor Alex Bregen said they have not received a reply from the

stockyards about their proposals. Hamm said one of the biggest reasons for action is the potential development that would be spurred by the construction of a new bridge across the Mississippi River.

"It would open up a lot of businesses for us," Hamm said.

Over the past several months, Madison and Fairmont City have been positioning themselves for a possible takeover of the town. Those maneuvers include the annexing by both municipalities of property adjoining National City. While Fairmont City approved annexation of the property the day before Madison, Madison city officials said the issue would probably be resolved in court.

The issue heated up after an early-morning fire on March 22 destroyed the village hall, police station, fire station and most of the village's records and equipment, including three fire trucks. The estimated damage was almost \$1 million. (See ANNEXATION, Page 9A)

Shut out
Davis' bills go nowhere

One of the traditional rituals for a freshman Illinois legislator is to be hazed by colleagues with needling questions when presenting his or her first bill for a floor vote.

It is an initiation the only area freshman lawmaker, Rep. Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, apparently won't experience, at least not in his freshman term.

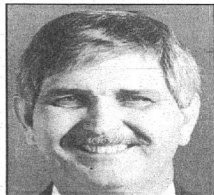
Just as he was during last year's legislative session, Davis has been completely shut out by the House Republican majority in getting any of his bills even out of committee this spring.

After squeaking by his 1994 election opponent, Davis is a

Republican "target" and House Speaker Lee Daniels' staff has been actively assisting his 1996 GOP opponent, Jim Mihalic.

Davis' utility as a member of the minority party in being able to move bills is in striking contrast to his predecessor, Jim McPike of Alton, who was House majority leader the previous 12 years and had the clout to pass anything through the House and had only a few defeats in the Senate.

The first hurdle for a bill to clear is the House Rules Committee. The committee has been the burial ground for all of the bills Davis introduced as chief sponsor. They range from a bill



Steve Davis

barring reduction in Medicaid benefits for those 65 or older to abolishing the Secretary of State's Police.

Other bills introduced by Davis as chief sponsor that remain entombed in the Rules Committee would mandate a

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Township meeting
draws a 'crowd' of 59By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Township Attorney William Schooley said a couple of years ago that annual town meetings were archaic, obsolete and should probably be eliminated.

But statute requires every township in the state to conduct a meeting of the town electors once each year, on the second Tuesday in April. Business conducted at the meetings is mundane in nature, like hiring an auditor, adopting by-laws and reading the minutes of the previous year's meeting.

On Tuesday, 59 registered voters residing in the township — and one non-resident — bothered to show up at the Granite City Town Meeting, which lasted exactly 21½ minutes. According to minutes read at the meeting, the 1995 gathering lasted only 15 minutes.

The additional six minutes and 30 seconds required to conduct the township's business this year was attributable to a resolution authorizing the transfer of \$80,000 surplus funds from the township's General Assistance Fund to its general Town Fund.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous voice vote. Part of the money is to be used to repave a parking lot (\$30,000), while the remainder (\$50,000) will help build a weight training room at Granite City High School.

Alex Toth, who attended the meeting, told a reporter afterward that he thinks the township should cut property taxes rather than spend surplus money on a high school weight room. Toth said he did not make the suggestion during the meeting because he failed to speak up when new business was called for.

In other action, James "Red" Worthen was elected moderator of the meeting.

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John Fuller, Chief Meteorologist, RSDKNewsChannel5



Top Teen

In the classroom, on the tennis court or on the soccer field, it's tough to put anything past Marcie Holsinger.

A senior at GCHS, Holsinger was captain of the Lady Warriors tennis squad, plays keeper for soccer coach Gene Baker and is a regular on the high honor roll. Her other awards, activities and honors include National Honor Society, IHSA Sportsmanship, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, ALPHA, Foreign Policy Club and Varsity Club (president).

The daughter of Kent and Faith Holsinger enjoys working at the Granite City Park District, tennis, hiking, snow and water skiing, biking and sailing.



Marcie Holsinger

Tax time nears;
many still waiting

State and federal income taxes are due in less than a week but many taxpayers are far from worried about filing. After all, it's not April 15 yet.

Scores of local procrastinators wait until the last minute either to do their taxes or to drop their returns off at the post office, just in time for the pre-midnight postmark.

Telephones were ringing off the hook Tuesday at Gibbons and Co., certified public accounting office in Granite City.

"I'm not sure Mr. (Jeff)

Gibbons has the time to talk just now," said Elaine, the receptionist, as more telephones rang.

"I think it is human nature. Taxes are bad news in most people's minds so they put it off. They also aren't oriented to putting together numbers," said Carl Weakley, a swamped certified public accountant in Edwardsville.

Gibbons, who finally did find two minutes to speak to a reporter — said reasons for putting off the inevitable tax filing vary from individual to individual, including having

(See TAXES, Page 10A)

Drug court called effective

Most of 29 initial clients are sticking with program

Madison County's new drug court appears to be the perfect prescription for first-time drug offenders.

Despite a few glitches in its first full month of operation, officials are optimistic for the program's progress and pleased with the attitudes of program participants.

"I'm real pleased," said Madison County Chief Criminal Judge Edward C. Ferguson, the court's administrator. "We've adjusted a few things, including the days and times of hearings, to better accommodate the clients."

"This is a learning experience for us, but it seems to be running a lot smoother than I expected."

The drug court program, which kicked off March 1, has enlisted 29 clients who agreed to participate as an alternative to other possible court sentences. Of those, three dropped out immediately and the status of two others is uncertain.

"We knew before this program started that some clients would drop out," Ferguson said. "This is very intense treatment and there has been and will continue to be some attrition. But we will choose not to commit ourselves to it. I'm pleasantly surprised with the number of clients who have remained faithful."

"We have two clients that attended a few treatment sessions, but quit," he said. "We have issued warrants for these people. It's a shame because they never really got started."

Of the 24 who faithfully attend treatment, 16 are men and eight are women. Twenty of those offenders were charged with cocaine possession, one with driving with a revoked license and three for property offenses.

Treatment is provided by Piassa Health Care in Alton and Granite City.

The program is designed to treat first-time drug offenders and has been expanded to include defendants charged with felony prostitution, felony deceptive practices and felony theft, crimes often related to drug use.

"Some of these crimes are fueled by a drug addiction," Ferguson said. "Through the screening process, we can determine if someone has a drug problem."

Clients who enroll in the program are required to attend regular status hearings while in treatment. Ferguson said he uses the hearings to get feedback from the clients.

"If the clients are having problems, I want to hear about them," he said. "We've discovered 15 things that never came up during the planning phase of this court. Right now we're working on getting help for child care and transportation."

Ferguson said feedback from the clients has resulted in modified court times and hearing schedules.

"What I'm hearing from most of the clients is that the treatment occupies a lot of their time," he said. "The majority of

these clients so far have remained clean throughout the treatment. Some have had setbacks.

"When they come to court, the first thing I ask them is why they used (drugs)," he said. "I ask them if they met up with old friends or had a death in the family. Some of the clients have been real successful and some people are really struggling."

"We have to keep in mind that some of the people have other problems," he said. "They have a lot of stress in their lives and that may be why they started using drugs in the first place."

Ferguson said five of the clients have secured employment since beginning treatment.

"That's a real plus," he said. "Some of these people are really trying to change their lives. I've heard more than one say this is a new start at life. Some of the employers are really helping out. They are adjusting work schedules around the treatment."

Ferguson said some clients are very suspicious when they appear in court, but are beginning to loosen up. "A lot of them are suspicious and want to know what the sudden interest is," he said. "We're here to keep them in the program. If they have problems, I want to hear about them."

Ferguson said he expects to enlist between 10 and 15 new clients each month.

— From The Telegraph

News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.

Centennial sponsors sought

Granite City's 100th birthday party promises to be a history-making event.

"This is going to be the biggest bash this town has ever seen," said Charles King Sr., general chairman of the Granite City Centennial Corp.

Highlights of the centennial plans include a celebrity golf tournament, an old-fashion fair and carnival at Wilson Park June 29-July 7 with dozens of activities and a fireworks display, and the grand finale celebration Oct. 5.

A top-mane act is expected to perform at the grand finale.

However, a party of the magnitude planned does not come without a price tag. The Centennial Corp. is soliciting contributions to assure the success of the summer-long celebration.

For information about sponsoring an event, call the Centennial headquarters at 451-1876.

Obscenity charges are issued

A 31-year-old Granite City man was arrested over the weekend after he allegedly displayed a pornographic photograph to three young boys that oppose it.

Les E. Rinehart, of the 4400 block of Wabash Avenue, was charged Friday afternoon with three counts of obscenity. He posted bail on the misdemeanor charges and was released.

Truck facility not moving here

The Charles Melvin Price Support Center has lost out in its bid for a U.S. National Guard truck rebuilding facility. But officials say they are looking at other projects to take its place.

Maj. Gen. Richard Austin, adjutant general for the Illinois Department of Military Affairs, said the U.S. Army National Guard has decided that the truck facility will be going to either Kansas or Mississippi.

Proposal facing deadline

Local leaders say time is running out to pass legislation this year that would authorize a three-county effort to combat internal flooding.

Legislation proposed by the Metro East Storm Water Committee apparently is at a standstill and negotiations are under way with special interests that oppose it.

Officials from Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties banded together to seek ways of controlling flooding caused by storm water runoff. They are seeking uniform controls on new development and legislation to allow regulation of storm water in upland areas and collection of user fees to help finance flood-control measures.

Local man receives award

Brent Sobol has been involved in community service since his class at St. Elizabeth School went to sing at a local nursing home.

Since then he has been involved in everything from soup kitchens to tutoring inner-city children on computers.

Sobol, the son of John and Charlotte Sobol of Granite City and a 20-year-old sophomore at Washington University in St. Louis, was honored Monday for that service. U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Bellefonte, presented him with the Silver Congressional Award.

Madison boy killed

A 7-year-old boy was killed Wednesday when he was struck by a car after running out into the street in Madison.

The boy, Brad E. Shoemaker, of the 2100 block of Alton Street, was the grandson of Madison Alton Ralph Miller. According to a police report, the boy ran out into the street from between two parked cars and was struck.

Read a book

Library Week celebration next week

Libraries change lives. That is the theme of National Library Week, to be celebrated throughout the country April 14-20.

In Granite City, both the main library downtown and the branch library on Johnson Road will be emphasizing the history of the city.

The 12-member publication staff of the book, "Granite City: A Pictorial History" has been invited to participate in a library week book signing on Saturday, April 20, at the branch library, 2145 Johnson Road.

The hardbound, 200-page book, compiled to help the city celebrate its centennial year, will be on sale at the library from 2 to 4 p.m. during the signing. Refreshments will be served.

The library is also sponsoring a centennial quiz



Mayor Ron Selph, right, signs a proclamation declaring April 14-20 as Library Week in Granite City. At left is Lester McKiernan, director of the Granite City Public Library.

during the week. Questions will deal with the city's history.

One winner from the main library and one from the branch library will be presented an autographed copy

of the centennial book. Winners will be selected by drawing names of those who answered all questions correctly.

The library — at both locations — also features a display of products made in Granite City now or in the past, such as Graniteware, Nestle iced tea and Prairie Farms dairy products.

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Brady: 'Reasonable' gun control is needed

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Sarah Brady says she doesn't want to ban guns, but wants "reasonable" laws to prevent death and injury.

Brady was scheduled to speak Wednesday at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville as part of its Arts and Issues series.

She is the wife of James Brady, the former press secretary to President Ronald Reagan who was disabled by would-be assassin John W. Hinckley Jr.

As chairwoman of Handgun Control Inc., Sarah Brady is the main spokesperson for the nation's largest gun control group.

"Our purpose is not to take guns away from law-abiding citizens," she said during a press conference before her talk. "We don't believe in banning, we do believe in saving lives, and the laws we espouse are geared toward reducing gun violence."

She compared gun control to regulations regarding automobile speed limits.

"You do what it takes to alleviate the problem," she said. "When we begin passing laws imposing speed limits or regulating the manufacturing of an automobile it wasn't a precursor to banning automobiles," she said.

Brady said gun control laws recognize that guns are dangerous.

"They're not like teddy bears," she said. "Teddy bears are regulated by about three or four different federal laws. They have very special regulations when it comes to teddy bears, none when it comes to guns."

She said the country was experiencing an "epidemic" of gun violence.

"As such it needs to be addressed and addressed quite strongly," she added.

"None of us really like any laws when it comes down to it," she said. "It would be wonderful to run free and natural and never have to abide by a law, but unfortunately we do if we're going to live together."

Brady said a perfect gun law would be an expansion of the Brady Law, which requires a waiting period and background check when purchasing a handgun from a licensed dealer.

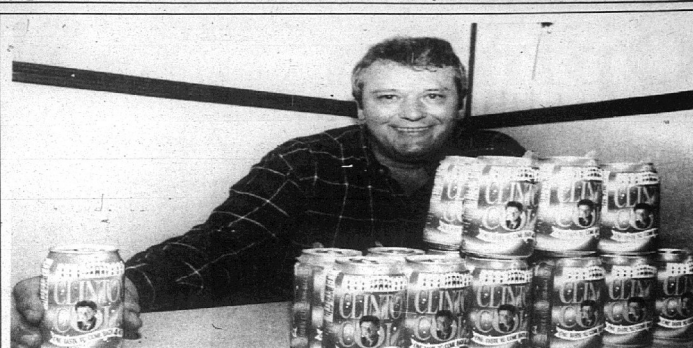
"I would expand upon that to include all sales," she said. "Any time a gun is transferred from one person to another."

She said there should also be licensing and registration of weapons on a state level, mandatory safety training, a complete and comprehensive background check — including fingerprinting, and higher fees for federally-licensed gun dealers.

Brady said handgun sales should be limited to one per month to cut down on illegal interstate gun sales. She said that would stop people from purchasing "five, ten or 100 guns at one time and selling them on the illegal market."

Brady said she would also like to see "Saturday Night Specials" — which she described as small, easily concealed and undependable handguns — controlled.

"If you're going to buy a handgun for self-protection, it's not a reliable, dependable weapon to purchase," she said.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Dan Partney displays his new product, Clinton Cola. It can be purchased at Novacich's Meat Market in Collinsville or by calling 1-800-464-CLINTON.

Clinton Cola Novelty product originates here

By Bob Slat
Staff writer

There's a new soft drink on the market and it's guaranteed to catch your eye, if not a taste bud or two.

It's Clinton Cola, the first soft drink featuring the president. And the company peddling the soda is based in Granite City.

"The president is the only political officeholder in the country with a soft drink named after him," said Dan Partney, the man behind the cola caper. "I'm anxious to get his response. I think he'll like it."

"Maybe this will become the official beverage of Air Force One."

Clinton Cola tastes pretty much like most colas. What sets the product apart is the packaging.

The five-color can was designed by Partney himself. It features a likeness of the president's head popping out of the "O" in "cola," a picture of the White House, the slogan "One Taste to Come Back 4 More," and a toll-free telephone number to call to order the soft drink by the case.

"You can see on the nutrition label that it has no fat — just like the president's budgets," Partney said.

"If somebody produced a Dole product, it would have to be a can of air," Partney said, referring to apparent Republican presidential nominee U.S. Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas. "It would have to be empty."

While the product is certainly a novelty — much like its predecessor Billy Beer, named for then-president Jimmy Carter's suds-guzzling brother — Partney hopes Clinton Cola is profitable for the Democratic Party. While the price tag is a steep \$12 a case — Partney is quick to point out that's the same cost per can charged by most soda vending machines — Partney said he will donate up to \$3 per case to the Democratic Party in the state where a purchase is made.

"It's a real fund-raising tool for the Democratic Party and who better to be on the front of the can than the president himself?" Partney asked. "I think this is a golden opportunity for the party in each state to raise money for their candidates. If 50,000

cases are sold in one state, that's \$150,000 I'll donate to the Democratic party there."

In fact, because Clinton Cola is not available in most grocery stores (it can be ordered by calling a toll-free telephone number) Partney is relying on party leaders to lead the marketing campaign for the product. He is working with the national party to coordinate distribution. A mention in the national media — by Rush Limbaugh or Jay Leno for example — or endorsement by the president himself could spark a demand on the product that would make the Democratic party — and Partney — rich.

"Buy a case to win the race," Partney said. He said his marketing blitz will begin in the next two weeks.

Clinton Cola can be ordered by the case by calling 1-800-464-CLINTON. There are significant discounts on shipping for deliveries of a truckload or more, Partney said.

But Partney said Clinton Cola isn't just for Democrats. He urges Republicans to try it as well.

"I encourage Republicans to drink it," Partney said. "I am very confident: One drink and they'll be voting Democratic."

Partney has been working on the project for about a year. He initially ordered 10,000 cases made. But his co-packer, based in Kansas City, is capable of producing 75,000 cases a day.

Partney's father, Don Partney Sr., marketed a similar product, Johnson Juice, during the 1964 presidential campaign.

Partney realizes any interest in his soft drink will probably die after the November election.

"I'm not looking to retire on this product," Partney said, but acknowledged that the sale of a few million cases wouldn't bother him.

"When I first started this venture, I thought I'd either sell a lot of soda or have a lot of soda to drink," Partney said. "I'm about to find out which it is."

"But who knows? By November we could have Pepsi down to their knees."

Locally, Clinton Cola can be purchased at Novacich's Meat Market in Collinsville. Pete Novacich said the soda was selling briskly this week.

Trailer park gets license

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

After almost a year of hearings, temporary licenses and battles, Village Green Mobile Home Park has been given a business license.

On Tuesday, the Pontoon Beach Village Board approved a permanent license for the mobile home park.

The license becomes effective April 15, when the last of a series of temporary business licenses expires, said Village Clerk Mary Rowden.

However, legal problems for the park are not completely over. The trials of owner Ed Zeman of Chicago and Elaine Holmes of Granite City, who sold and sublet mobile homes at the park, are scheduled to begin Monday. The trial was originally set for early January, but has been delayed several times.

Zeman, Holmes and two others were charged with crimes relating to the improper possession of mobile home titles. Most are Class II felonies that carry a penalty of 3-7 years.

Others charged are Robert Sims of Glen Carbon — the former husband of convicted child-killer Paula Sims — and Elizabeth Couch of Edwardsville, the former off-site manager of the Village Green Park.

On Dec. 7 a Madison County jury indicted Zeman on nine counts: six counts of unlawful possession of a certificate of title without complete assignment and one count each of unlawful removal of a manufacturer's identification number, unlawful possession of a Secretary of State's assignment plate and failure to keep adequate records.

Holmes was indicted in November of 15 counts: six counts of theft over \$300 and

nine counts of unlawful possession of a certificate of title without complete assignment.

Couch had also been indicted on nine counts. On November 22 she pleaded guilty to eight of those. One count of theft over \$300 was dismissed. She is awaiting sentencing on the other charges.

Sims, who worked for Zeman at both the Village Green and East 30 Mobile Home Park in Glen Carbon, was charged with one count each of unlawful possession of a Secretary of State assignment plate and unlawful removal of a manufacturer's identification number.

The charges stem from the improper transfer of titles following the sale of mobile homes. Residents complained that they thought they had bought the homes, but the titles were never transferred and when the "owners" missed a payment eviction proceedings were begun.

After problems between Pontoon Beach and the park started, the village declined to renew the park's business license because of building code and zoning violations, and the Secretary of State's office began an investigation.

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Opinion

Editorials

Traffic fatalities on rise

Traffic fatalities on Illinois roads continued a disturbing trend in 1995, increasing again over the previous year's figure — which had been the highest since 1990.

A total of 1,596 people died in accidents in 1995, 38 more than in 1994. One consolation is that the increase was considerably less than that of 1994, when the fatality figure rose by 162 over the 1993 mark of 1,392. Another hopeful sign is that the rate of traffic fatalities is expected to remain the same, at 1.7 deaths per 100 million miles of travel, because miles traveled on Illinois roads rose about 1 percent, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Nonetheless, the fact that fatalities have risen for the past two years is cause for concern. Especially disturbing is the sharp increase in deaths on county and township roads in the state last year. Those fatalities rose by 17.6 percent, compared to the overall increase of 2.4 percent.

As a matter of fact, separating those roads from the statistical data, there was a 1.9 percent decrease in deaths on U.S. and Illinois-marked highways and a 9.1 percent decline in fatalities on interstates.

Rural roads always pose a problem because of their configuration, frequently marked by curves and hills and reduced speed limits that many drivers ignore. Because those roads are less traveled and not monitored as closely by police, many motorists take unnecessary risks and travel much faster than they should.

This is why it was welcome news when Gov. Jim Edgar decided last year to keep the speed limit on rural roads at 55 mph, despite the fact that federal speed limits rose automatically to 65 mph on those roads after the national 55 mph speed limit was overturned by Congress.

Every driver has a moral responsibility to keep our roads safe. Driving after drinking and exceeding speed limits make those roads a danger to others. Not wearing seat belts jeopardizes our chances of surviving an accident.

Let's all do our part to try to reverse this disturbing increase in traffic fatalities on Illinois roads.

Reprinted from the State Journal-Register, Springfield

Weber candidacy valuable

We hope former Madison County State's Attorney Don Weber follows through on suggestions by his fellow Republicans that he attempt to recapture the county prosecutor's job he held for four years in the early '80s.

That hope is in no way an endorsement of a Weber candidacy nor a criticism of how State's Attorney William Haine is doing the job.

It is, rather, a recognition of the fact that an electoral system in which voters are given no choices at all is ineffective and a belief that both the public and the next state's attorney — whoever he or she may be — would benefit from an election debate over issues of crime and punishment.

Both Haine and Weber are well known to anyone even remotely familiar with Madison County politics. While both men are passionate about the legal profession and often outspoken, their differences in style and tone are enormous.

Republican Weber's sometimes abrasive manner has landed him in hot water more than once, but few could contest the effectiveness of his courtroom style or the significance of his achievement in grabbing a countywide office in an overwhelmingly Democratic county, even if only for a single term.

Democrat Haine, who will be seeking his third term as state's attorney, is a respected political, civic and community leader.

We think an election contest between the two would not only be a healthy political exercise but also an effective way for the public to have a role in learning more about the criminal justice system and helping to set some priorities for its future in Madison County.

Decisions by prosecutors and judges are sometimes lauded, sometimes condemned and often misunderstood. We hope Weber will offer a candidacy in the November election if for no other reason than as a platform to address some of the misunderstandings.

— From The Telegraph

Motor-voter law flunks

The turnout in last month's primary election was predictably low, but the really dismal showing among voters who registered under the state's ill-conceived motor-voter system ought to be another reminder to state officials of how an opportunity to encourage political involvement has been badly bungled.

In Madison County, only 21 percent of eligible voters went to the polls.

However, the turnout among motor-voter registrants eligible to vote only in federal elections was a terrible 2 percent.

The federal motor-voter law required states to offer registration at drivers license stations and other state agencies. The law was quickly embraced in full in every state but Mississippi and Illinois, both of which adopted two-tiered systems extending motor-voter registration only to federal elections.

As a result, when Illinois residents register at a drivers license office or other state agency, they will receive a registration card stamped for federal elections only unless they specifically ask for complete registration for local and state elections as well.

County clerks, the people who must administer voter registration and election procedures, have complained about the additional costs to the taxpayers in maintaining two-tiered records.

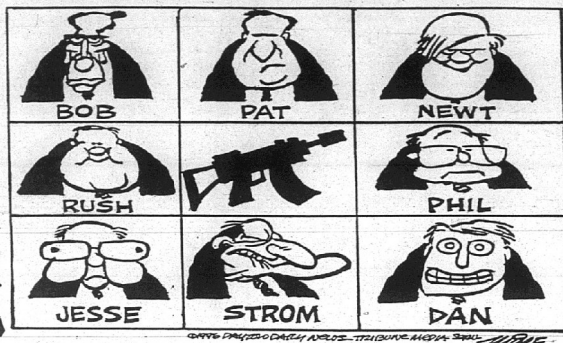
But perhaps the most telling argument against the cumbersome system is the fact that the ballot box.

It is obvious that motor-voter registrants were discouraged by their restriction to federal elections only, and that's clear proof that our state's narrow-minded interpretation of a law designed to encourage voting has had just the opposite effect.

We continue to believe this bad law should be repealed.

— From The Telegraph

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Letters to the editor

Alcohol is subtle issue

TO THE EDITOR:
There are so many things that demand our attention each day.

Subtle issues, like the need for pro-active policies about alcohol, seem much easier to put off than many other pressures. It's easy for parents to avoid talking to youth about alcohol.

It's easy for servers to skip checking an I.D. It's easy for someone else worry about alcohol advertising that appeals to youth.

It's easy for any of us to forget the many ways that alcohol can injure, from fetal alcohol syndrome to D.U.I. crashes to alcoholism and liver cirrhosis.

Every time, we've come to realize that subtle doesn't mean harmless.

Alcohol-related health problems, violence, family problems, and failures in schools and workplaces hurt millions of people every day.

It's possible to recover from many of these problems, but it's not easy.

It is much easier to prevent alcohol problems. Parents who take a firm stand against alcohol use by their children are preventing trouble.

Schools with preventive education, early intervention, and consistently enforced policies against alcohol use are preventing trouble.

Communities that take action to make alcohol less available to youth are preventing trouble.

Unfortunately, people often find it easier to ignore alcohol problems than to prevent them. That's why observing Alcohol Awareness Month each April is so important.

For at least one month we all need to take some time to participate in alcohol policy considerations in our families and communities. What we learn in April can help motivate us to be involved year-round.

Learn the facts. Take a stand.

Call the Illinois Drug Education Alliance (708-420-1766) or your regional InTouch prevention office (387-8930) and Piassa Health Care (345-5200).

Prevent alcohol problems before they start.

JEAN SCHRAM,
Piassa Health Care

Affolterers get their thanks

TO THE EDITOR:

We recently received a call from Kim Affolter, our alderman, and a personal visit from a building inspector after complaints from our next door neighbor and others complaining that our roof ventilator was making a lot of noise.

The wind was raging, then the rain came. I tried to get help, but did not get it until Kim Affolter and her husband came over. He took the vent apart and could not find anything wrong.

We personally want to thank Kim Affolter and her husband. There are still some nice people around.

These same neighbors called the police chief last year on us because we would not accept the small berries from their

tree that were all over our driveway. My husband, who is 89 years old, had a five-bypass and shuffles his feet when he walks. I was afraid he would fall over these berries.

The police chief told them to actually, they had to cut the branches back off of our driveway.

We are so sorry we cause so much trouble and receive so many wrong number phone calls.

HENRY and BEATRICE COPMAN
Granite City

Obits belong on front page

TO THE EDITOR:
This is my fourth letter inquiring about why the obituaries were removed from the front page.

I think you should put this in your editorials and find out how people feel about this. I'm sure you will get feedback as I do in my discussions on this matter, as it is certainly a controversial piece.

I would like an answer on why they were removed from the front page.

EDITH WOFFORD
Granite City

Laub thanks district voters

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to thank the voters of county board district 19 for their continued support.

FRANK LAUB
County board member
District 19

Davis fights innovation

TO THE EDITOR:

State Rep. Steve Davis voted no to charter schools recently. A few weeks before, he said no to school vouchers during his town hall meetings in Bethalto and Granite City.

What's up with Steve Davis? What has he got against innovative education ideas?

How did he ever get stuck with such a forward-thinking state representative?

MARY NEAL MILFORD
Alton

Drinking law needs support

TO THE EDITOR:

Should a law that would save many people each year from a senseless and horrible alcohol-related death on Illinois roadways be considered "emergency legislation" during the 1996 legislative session? Many Illinois citizens think so.

Last year, 656 people were needlessly killed on Illinois

roadways in alcohol-related crashes; many more were seriously injured. Studies by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration show that lowering the illegal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) level to .08 will decrease these fatalities by approximately 10 percent. Thirteen states already have .08 laws and lives are being saved. Why not in Illinois?

Contrary to what some believe, .08 is not about decreasing alcohol consumption. It's about decreasing the likelihood of being hit by an impaired driver. In states where .08 has been enacted, the law serves its purpose as a deterrent to impaired driving, not as a deterrent to drinking.

For a 170-pound male, the lower threshold would equate to drinking four beers in one hour to reach a BAC of just .07.

How safe the highways will be in Illinois is determined in part by how much risk we are willing to accept from drinking drivers. At .08, even the most experienced driver loses critical driving skills, such as lane changing, braking and speed control. These are all skills essential to safe and responsible driving.

HB 2205 would lower the BAC level for driving from .10 to .08. Last year, Illinois House members overwhelmingly passed the bill by a 91 to 25 vote. It then went to the Senate Transportation Committee where it failed by only one vote. It now sits in the Rules Committee awaiting action.

Illinois House members have demonstrated their commitment to saving lives and preventing impaired driving. Now it's time for our senators to have the opportunity to follow suit.

The senate leadership should yield to common sense and let the fate of .08 be decided on the floor of the senate.

For your safety and that of the citizens of Illinois, please contact your senator as soon as possible and insist upon the passage of .08.

KATHY CAISSE
State Public Policy Liaison
Mothers Against Drunk Driving

Hats project certain image

TO THE LETTER:
Why is it that most young people today don't wear hats?

Some people work very hard at projecting an image. Wearing the right kind of hat, this is no longer a problem. People like firemen, policemen, construction workers, fighter pilots and many others are easily identified by the kind of hats they wear.

I asked a friend of mine who was in the National Guard a long time what he thought about the new military helmets. He said they're not as good as the old.

You can't dig with them because the edge is too thick. You can't heat water over an open fire with them. (Frowned on by the military. The fire softens the metal and burns the paint off.)

You can't take the linings out and use them for a latrine in a pinch. No doubt the old helmets were very versatile and much cheaper to make.

One day I was in an "Outdoor Store" and bought one of those helmets like the British wore in places like Africa and India. I have been looking ever since for a monacle and long cigarette holder to go with it. I thought about wearing it at the zoo, but I'm afraid they might call me "Ewana."

When I was kid, Frank Buck, the "bring 'em back" guy, wore a hat like that.

One time I had a big white, large brim straw hat with a high "crown" crown like "Hoss" of "Bonanza" fame wore. I had more fun with that hat.

While I was wearing it while walking down the main street of Colorado Springs, a little kid ran out of a store, pointed his finger at me and said, "Mamma, Mamma, Look. There goes a cowboy." I was thinking, "Yeah, Sonny, an Illinois cowboy."

In Colorado Springs the tourists are easily identified. They are the ones wearing the "Cowboy" hats.

So, think about it, youngsters. Hats can be a lot of fun. CHUCK FISCHER
Collinsville

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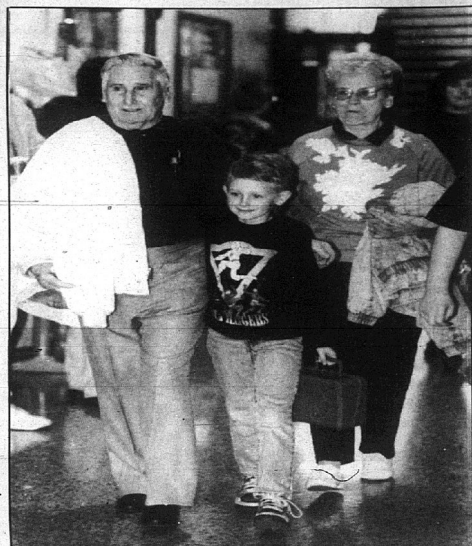
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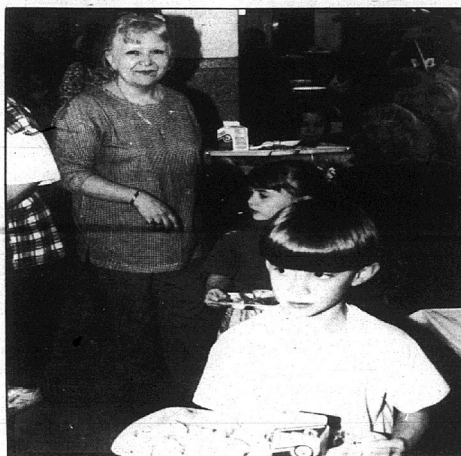
Niedringhaus School students Natalie and Genevieve Sebastian, from left, pick out their lunches before sitting down to eat with their grandmother, Sherrill Clinard, during one of

several days set aside for grandparents to visit at lunchtime at the school.

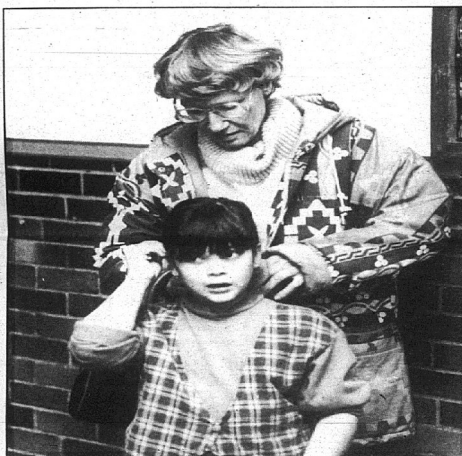
Grandparents have their day



Ed and Gladeen VanSceley, above, walk down to the cafeteria with grandson Joey Pritchard, a second grader at Niedringhaus school. Below, fifth grader Nick Roberts, left, and his brother Ryan, a kindergartner, eat lunch with their grandmother, Jane Knight.



Sherry Nash, left, follows as her grandchildren Erik, front, and Brittini Nash, 6 and 5 respectively, look for seats in the cafeteria.



Judy Daniels puts granddaughter Khone Sirimanotham's hair up in a ponytail while waiting for her other grandchildren, Khone's brother, Daniel, and Amanda Soucie.



(Photo by DAVID TERRY)

Bunny rabbit — The Easter Bunny recently visited children in the Kids' Club child care service at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College. Above, Jennifer Besserman, 5, sits on the Easter Bunny's lap. At right, Malaina-Miller enjoys her moment with the bunny.



Economic resources displayed Illinois hits Internet

Gov. Jim Edgar has unveiled a World Wide Web site that put Illinois' technology and economic resources at the fingertips of manufacturers.

"Illinois is becoming a national leader in developing unique ways to encourage economic development," the Governor said. "The new Illinois web site, using the technology of the Internet, will help companies locate and utilize sources of technical and business modernization assistance that can help them become more competitive."

"It will help market the products of Illinois suppliers to manufacturers in the state and throughout the world, it promotes economic development through a unique partnership between the public and private sectors, and it sends a clear signal that Illinois cares about manufacturing and is open for business."

The site, designed by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, is the first of its type in the country to be electronically connected to a major on-line manufacturing publisher.

The URL address for the site is <http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/illcoalition>. Under an agreement with Thomas Regional Directory Company Inc., Illinois will be the first state in the nation to connect its technology and business resources for manufacturers to the new on-line version of the Thomas Regional Electronic Network Directory for the North Central Tri-State Region, the publisher's popular industrial buying guide for Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana.

"When I talked about this new venture in my State of the State address in January, I said it will help attract new industry and jobs to Illinois by publicizing the expertise and skilled workers readily available from our universities and colleges, Argonne, Fermilab and other institutions," Edgar said. "I am confident this one-stop shopping site will help make Illinois even more attractive to business expansion and job growth."

LT Gov. Bob Kustra, the Governor's senior adviser for economic development, said the

site creates a virtual work space for manufacturers.

"When fully completed by June, the site will enable interested companies to learn about the broad range of technical and business modernization assistance offered to small and medium-sized manufacturers through COMPETE, Illinois' statewide manufacturing extension network," Kustra said. "Another highly innovative feature of the site is its direct connection to an electronic database providing a comprehensive listing of the technology resources in Illinois of use to manufacturers."

The database is being developed with \$175,000 in state grant funds by Argonne National Laboratory and more than 30 universities, community colleges, laboratories, research institutions and industrial organizations, collectively called the Manufacturing, Engineering, Research and Training Coalition.

When finished this summer, the MERTC database will enable manufacturers to search a broad range of topics, such as computer-aided design, environmental issues in manufacturing, quality control and ISO-9000 certification.

Users visiting the on-line version of the Thomas Regional Electronic Network Directory (TREND) industrial buying guide will be able to review and order the products and services of thousands of Illinois manufacturers. They will also be able to click on buttons throughout the site marked "Illinois Manufacturing On-Line" that connect them to the COMPETE web site.

Likewise, manufacturers using the COMPETE web site can directly connect to TREND.

"The two-way Internet traffic between TREND and COMPETE will increase the use of both sites and will make it easier for manufacturers to access the Illinois resources and products that can help improve their business performance," Edgar said. "This project is the ultimate in one-stop shopping and confirms that Illinois is a leader in the use of technology to encourage job creation and economic growth."

SATURDAY LATE NIGHT APRIL 13, 1996

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| KMOV (4) | Cloppers (Save Our Streets) (R) | Beyond | | NHS (R) | [All News] | | | | Paid Prog. | Newswatch | Sh. Louis | |
| KDND (2) | Chordz | Comedy Show | | NBC News | | | | | Living | News 3 | | |
| KNLC (6) | Gospel | Sing | M | Z Music | [Worship Videos] | | | | Paid Prog. | Disease From | | Message |
| KDNL (6) | Closed | M | 2 | M | 2 | | | | Paid Prog. | Church | Discours | Discours |
| KETC (6) | Charlie Rose (In Stereo) | ** The Purple Plan (1954, Drama) *** Journey Into Fear (1942) | | | | | | | Constitution | Psychology | Psychology | Tenors |
| KSTU (2) | Baywatch Nights | Baywatch Nights | | Baywatch: The Hooker (New Free) | | | | | Head Clin. | Agenda | No Actor | |
| CABLE STATIONS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NICK (2) | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon |
| TNT (2) | Show! Awards (R) | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon |
| USA (2) | Howling (R) | Your Sister Is a Werewolf (1988) [Allcaps] H.E.A.T. | | Fact/Life | Paid Prog. | Pro G.A. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Chet | Bay Blast | Pro. Child |
| DISC (2) | Justice Files (R) | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. |
| TBS (3) | 12:00 *** Gloria (1980, Drama) [Allcaps] *The | | | Beaver | | | | | | | | |
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| AAE | 31 Rodgers & Hammerstein. | The Sound of Music (R) | | *** The Happening (1967) Anthony Quinn | | | | | | | | |
| SCFI | Max Headroom - Dollars | Boris Karlov's Thriller | | *** Beginning of the End (1957) One Step | | | | | | | | |
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| HBO (14) | Passion | Comedy | *** The Tale of a Vampire (1993) [Allcaps] *** | *** M/V Madonna (1990) [R] 3C | | | | | *** The Doves (1974) Joseph Bonavent. PG-13 | | | |
| SHOW (5) | *** Sizzle Beach, USA (1986) R | *** The Paint Job (1992) R | | *** Drop Dead Red (1991) Probe Clubs | PG-13 | | | | Stories | Men's People | | |
| TMC (2) | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon | Cartoon |
| DISN (6) | Great | The Little Rascals (1996, Drama) 3C | | Breathin' Santa (1988) R | | | | | Movie | Movie | Movie | Movie |

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| KTVI (7) | Power of Power (In Stereo) | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | Sunday Morning 7C | Take 2 (I) | Home | National Geo | Care 2000 | Paid Prog. | Lazurus Man (Stereo) | |
| KMOV (4) | Fate Estate | Life-Work | Principles | News 7C | Sunday Morning 7C | | SIL Sund | Patience | Cherrie | NBA Show | NBA Basketball | |
| KNCJ (4) | Lesters | Frederick X Price | Discovery | In Touch 3C | | | NELC Worship | Ministry | Walk-Leave | Musical | Gospel | |
| KDNL (4) | Good Morning America | Star Trek: Deep Space 9 | | ** "A Place for Anner" | 1994 Story Spacepak | | | Week-End Brinkley | M-A'SH 3C | Gold | | |
| KDRE (4) | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | News 7C | |
| KPLR (10) | Paid Prog. | In Touch | King Arthur | Gunsweeps | Skyrunner | Ultraforce | Action Man | Baywatch (In Stereo) 3C | | Walt Disney | Walt Disney | Walt Disney |
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| NCA (8) | Mappels | Beetlejuice | Looney Tunes | News 7C | Rugrats 3C | Monsters | PenSpiny | Rocko | Pete & Pete | Alex Mack | All That (H) | SpideeCats |
| TNT (2) | Bugs | Goody Goody Go | Gilligan | In the Heat of the Night | WJCATS | Dragon | Lazurus Man (In Stereo) | In the Heat of the Night | WWF Wrestling | 1993 Macar | 1993 Macar | 1993 Macar |
| ESPN (2) | SP, PGA | Highlander | Equus | 60 Minutes | WJCATS | Dragon | Lazurus Man (In Stereo) | WWF Wrestling | 1993 Macar | 1993 Macar | 1993 Macar | 1993 Macar |
| DISC (2) | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Home | Start | Housman(H) | Great | Ches | Cyberlike | Popular Mechanics (H) | Wings (H) | | |
| TBS (3) | Planet | Planet | Flintstones | Garfield | Griffith | ** Seems Like Old Times | 1960s Comedy | Goody | Goody | ** Footy Play | (1978) | |
| WGN (2) | Sylvast | Animaniacs | Bozo Super | Sunday | Animaniacs | PinkyBrain | Freakazoid! | Dramas | Out-Blue | The Reguled | (1921) | |
| WHISL (10) | J. Swagman | Sallor M | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Fred Mayman | Adrien Appl | Adrien Appl | | | |
| ABC (2) | 6:30 (H) Star | The Howard | ** Footlight | Glamour | 1945 (H) | | ** A Day Grows in Brooklyn | 1945 (H) | 1945 (H) | The Best of Everything | | |
| MTV (8) | Sports (H) | Sandblast | Oodlies | Singled Out | Rock | Sobalt: Jack | MTV Jan Countdown | Round Rules | Round Rules | Round Rules | Round Rules | Round Rules |
| WTV (3) | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Spenser: For Hire | 3C | Adrian Appl | ** Between Two Women | 1986 (Drama) | | | |
| HTS (3) | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News |
| FAM (2) | In Touch 3C | Popeye | Masters | Whodunnit | Family Challenge | Ren Tin Tin | | ** Mayday at 40,000 Feet | 1976 (Supernat) | | | |
| A&E (3) | All the King's Men | Breakfast With the Arts | 1C | Crav | Schiff Buz | Cuzet | Police Story | Big John Morrison | ** Danter | (1978) | Timothy Hutton | |
| SCIFI (9) | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Tom | Crav | Schiff Buz | Cuzet | In Space | Mystery | Space 1999 | Starmen | Fatal Fun | |
| H&M (2) | Columbus | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav | Crav |
| PREMIUM STATIONS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ABC 16 | Newsweek | Wiz of Oz | ** Marmosket On the Move | 1991 (H) | ** Tommy Boy | 1995 (Chas) P | | ** Three Amigos | 1986 (Gy Chas) P | | | |
| ABC 26 | Newsweek | Wiz of Oz | ** Marmosket On the Move | 1991 (H) | ** Tommy Boy | 1995 (Chas) P | | ** Three Amigos | 1986 (Gy Chas) P | | | |
| TMC (2) | 6:30 (H) | The Underfused | 1969 | ** Rings of Desire | 1973 (Loki) | Exotic | ** Oliver | Marmosket | 1969 (Gy Chas) P | | | |
| DISN (6) | Merrid | Ducktales | Chip-Dale | C. Brown | ** A Troll in Central Park | 1991 (H) | BonnieBuns | Sitters | MMC (H) 3C | Ready-N | | |

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| BROADCAST STATIONS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| KTVL | (R) Simpson, The Show | Cartoon | Heroes | Entertainment Tonight | News @ 10 | Edison | News @ 10 | Edison | Heroes/Venues | Current Affairs Extra | | |
| KMOV | (R) O'Byrne, Bonnie & Clyde | Married... With Children | The James Earl Ray Story | 1999 Sci-Fi | News @ 10 | Sports | News @ 10 | Sports | Sightings (In Stereo) | Edison in Stereo | | |
| KSNV | (R) The Simpsons | Cartoon | Married... With Children | Cartoon | News @ 10 | Sports | News @ 10 | Sports | Sightings (In Stereo) | Edison in Stereo | | |
| KNLK | (R) Kenneth Copeland | Worship | Joyce M. King & B. Church | Creflo A. Dollar Jr. | Spirit | Forum | Spirit | Forum | Being a Woman | | | |
| KDNL | (R) Love & Clap-Superman | All Star Ever Wanted | (1995, Drama) March | News @ 10 | Home | Imp | News @ 10 | Home | Star Trek: Deep Space 5 | Star Trek Voyager | | |
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| KPLR | (R) Sister, Sis, Kirk (R) Sci-Fi | Savannah (In Stereo) | Beverly Hills, 90210 | *** The Mumbo Jumbo | (1992) Amanda Assante | Van Impe | Psychic | | | | | |
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| UNT | *** "2.7. the Extra-Terrestrial" (1982) Doc Wallace | *** Jaws | (1975) Horroty Rober | Robert Shaw | "Sugared Egg" | | | | | | | |
| ESPN | Major League Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball | Baseball |
| DISC | Discover Magazine (R) | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals | Animal Cannibals |
| TBS | "Horo and the Terror" | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer | National Geographic Explorer |
| WGN | Sister, Sis, Kirk (R) Sci-Fi | Savannah (In Stereo) | Beverly Hills, 90210 | *** The Mumbo Jumbo | (1992) Amanda Assante | Van Impe | Psychic | | | | | |
| WHSN | 10 Statements in Good Fashion | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News | News |
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| LIFE | "The Haunting of Les" (1925) Cherry Lanes | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait | Infimate Portrait |
| FAM | "A Farewell to Arms" | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King | "The Great Escape" (1963) B. C. King |
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| DISN | "The Gravel" (1956) Craig Shelton | *** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley | Dennis M. Dream On | "Terminal Justice" (1995) Lorenzo Lamas | "NR..." | | | | | | | |
| TMC | "The Turning Point" (1977) | *** "Bad Company" (1983, Disaster) | "Women-Rangers" | *** Looking for Mr. Goodbar | "Within Masters" (1994) | | | | | | | |
| DISN | "White Fang 2: Wolf" | Animal Lennox | *** Out of Africa (1985, Drama) Mimi Rogers | *** Looking for Mr. Goodbar | "Within Masters" (1994) | | | | | | | |

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Obituaries

Helen Walters

Helen (Boswick) Walters, 82, of Granite City died at 7:03 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was born Jan. 21, 1914, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident.

Owner of Bob's Flowers in Granite City for 50 years prior to her retirement in the 1970s, she was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Granite City.

Survivors include two daughters, Susan Lee Walters of Blue Springs, Mo., and Mary de Buhr of Downers Grove, Ill.; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert L. Walters, whom she married June 12, 1936, and who died Oct. 7, 1984; her parents, Ambrose Boehmer Boswick and Mary Louisa (Dasher) Boswick; and three sisters, Thelma Miller, Laura Lewis and Martha Boswick.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maple Road in Granite City, where service time is pending Friday. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Frances Conway

Frances Marie (Forshee) Rutherford Conway, 78, of Florissant, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 6 a.m. Wednesday, April 10, 1996, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis after a long illness. She was born Dec. 30, 1917.

Survivors include her husband, Stanley Conway; one daughter, Edythe Murrell of Memphis, Tenn.; three brothers, Benjamin, Robert and Eugene Forshee; one brother, Mat; one stepdaughter, Judy Daniels of St. Louis; one grandson; and four step grandchildren.

No services will be held.

Mrs. Conway donated her body to St. Louis University Medical School.

Robert Joyce

Robert Y. Joyce, 71, of Granite City died at 3:58 a.m. Monday, April 8, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He was born April 28, 1924, in Dover, Tenn.

A welder with Granite City Steel for 41 years prior to his retirement in 1986, he was of the Wesleyan Methodist Protestant faith.

Mr. Joyce was a World War II Army Air Corps veteran, serving as

an armor gunner on a B-17, flying 35 combat missions in the European Theater. He also flew missions over northern France during the Normandy invasion and many other missions over Germany and all across Europe during the war.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda (Walton) Joyce, whom he married June 11, 1946; five daughters, Sharon Joyce of Dixon, Calif., Sandra "Sandy" Shemwell of Cabot, Ark., and "Bobbie" Weller, Laura Darlene Gorfline and Kimberly Joyce, all of Granite City; one brother, Harold Joyce in Carlinville; eight grandchildren; and two step grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert H. and Herman (Young) Joyce; and two brothers, Howard and Earl Joyce.

Services are at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maple Road in Granite City, with the Rev. David Tyler officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Memorials are requested for the Second Baptist Church Building and the American Heart Association.

B. Robertson

Barbara (Barnes) Robertson, 53, of Pontoon Beach died Tuesday, April 8, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, following a two-month illness. She was born Feb. 13, 1943, in Stewart County, Tenn., and had been a resident of Pontoon Beach for most of her life.

A homemaker, she was a member of City Temple in Granite City.

Survivors include one son, Douglas Robertson of Pontoon Beach; three daughters, Tammyanner of Sorento, Ill., Loraine of Granite City and Angela Robertson of St. Louis; her mother, Opal (Lerch) Barnes of Edwardsville; one brother, Matthew Barnes of Arnold, Mo.; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lurton Barnes. Services are at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel for funerals, 3936 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach, with the Rev. Mike Hopkins officiating. Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Fairview Heights.

Lillian Gregory

Lillian G. (Graf) Gregory, 88, of Granite City died Wednesday, April 10, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville, following a five-year illness. She was born April 5, 1908, in Venice and had been a resident of

Granite City for 87 years.

A secretary with the Granite City Housing Authority for 17 years prior to her retirement in 1973, she was a member of Second Baptist Church in Granite City.

Survivors include one daughter, Eleanor Porter of Mitchell; one brother, Orrin Graf of Daytona Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Andrew Gregory, who died in 1955; and her parents, Julius and Mary (Trotter) Graf.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Werner Chapel for funerals, 3936 Lake Drive in Pontoon Beach, where services are at 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Greg Jud officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for the Second Baptist Church Building Fund.

Bonds OK'd for raceway

The Southwestern Illinois Development Authority will issue \$2.5 million in bonds to finance construction of Gateway International Raceway in Madison County, Ill., the state's first open-wheel track, the state's first open-wheel track, the state's first open-wheel track.

The state will provide moral obligation backing to the bonds, the Governor said in a prepared statement.

The state's moral obligation pledge generally provides that the state will consider paying principal and interest on the bonds in the event the Authority is unable to pay. There is no legal or statutory guarantee the state will make the payments.

Construction on the track is scheduled to commence immediately.

The 150-acre complex, which also may serve as a high-speed training grounds for Illinois State Police officers and other law enforcement agencies, will include an all-new National Hot Rod Association national event drag strip with 15,000 permanent seats, plus a 1.25-mile banked oval track with permanent seating for 25,000 spectators, as well as separate road courses.

Judge reviewing arguments on Robert Sims' lawsuit

A Madison County judge has taken under advisement arguments to dismiss a lawsuit filed by Robert Sims, who alleges two local authors and a national television network incriminated him in the murders of his infant daughters.

Madison County Circuit Judge Handy Bono said he will review nearly four hours of oral arguments before ruling on a motion to dismiss the suit.

Sims, whose ex-wife, Paula, was convicted of murdering the couple's daughter in their Alton home in 1989 and subsequently confessed, filed a libel suit in Cook County Circuit Court in October 1994.

The 19-count suit, which has been moved to Madison County, claims Don Weber, a Collinsville attorney, and Paula Sims' prosecutor, and his co-author, Charles Bosworth Jr., libel Sims and attacked the book and screenplay *Precious Victims*.

Robert Sims, who now lives in Glen Carbon, briefly attended the hearing Tuesday in Edwardsville.

The suit seeks more than \$400,000 in damages against the two authors, publishing companies Penguin Books USA, Inc., CBS Inc. and Laurel Film Inc.

New York attorney Edward R. Berner, who represents the authors and publishing company, argued for the dismissal, claiming the content of the book and screenplay was the First Amendment. He said the authors expressed doubt in

their publication that Robert Sims was involved in the deaths of his children.

"What the book does is painstakingly, in 440 pages, details the disappearance of a baby, the murder, Paula's confession, the police investigation and the prosecution," Rosenthal said. "You have to look at the book as a whole. You can't look at any one line."

"The authors of the book express belief that Robert Sims did not kill his children," he said.

Rosenthal said in his arguments that during the investigation and trial, police officers, judges and the media speculated Robert Sims may have been involved.

Rosenthal said the book's statements pertaining to Robert Sims raise questions of what Robert Sims may have been thinking or doing during the disappearance of his infants.

Robert Sims' attorney, John Moran of Chicago, argued that the book failed to report the facts, was written for profit and invaded his client's privacy.

"The book puts words in people's mouths when (the authors) could not know what that person was thinking," Moran said. "Opinions are still defamatory. The book wasn't written for newsworthiness. It was written for profit."

Moran said the book portrayed his client as a liar and a murderer.

"The book portrays Robert Sims as a character who con-

trolled Paula and forced her to get rid of two little girls," Moran said. "These are very serious allegations. It's a very serious stamp to leave on someone's life."

Rosenthal argued that the book did not factually state Robert Sims was involved in the murders.

"A major part of this case was speculation by police and the public who thought Robert Sims was involved," he said.

Rosenthal said the book's readers had a right to know what police and prosecutors thought of Robert Sims, particularly a comment allegedly made by Robert Sims that his sexual relations improved after the disappearance of his daughter.

Moran also claimed the book invaded his client's private life by detailing his sexual relations with Paula Sims, particularly a comment allegedly made by Robert Sims that his sexual relations improved after the disappearance of his daughter.

Rosenthal argued that Robert Sims made his sex life public when he testified about his statement during his ex-wife's criminal trial.

Paula Sims testified during her 1990 trial that a masked intruder kidnapped her children in separate incidents, once in Brighton and again in Alton. Both incidents allegedly occurred while she was home alone and Robert Sims was at work.

Loralei was reported missing by Paula Sims from her Brighton home in 1986. The baby's body was found later in a wooded area behind the home.

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Davis

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reduction in state paperwork and require minimum maternity hospital stays.

Last year, even such innocuous Davis bills as one to restrict motorcycles or snowmobiles from riding on levees were dammed up in committee.

In contrast, near-freshman Sen. Evelyn S. Bowles, D-Edwardsville, who is in her first elected term after being appointed to fill the term of the late Sen. Sam Vaden, has been more successful in moving her bills, despite being in the minority in the Senate.

The Senate has tended to be much less partisan in blocking bills from committee consideration.

A bill sponsored by Bowles to impose specific criminal penalties for distributing and using jimson weed, a hallucinogenic that caused hospitalizations in the River Bend area last year, passed the Senate and is pending in the House.

Bowles was the only area Democratic lawmaker last year to get a bill signed into law by the governor; it was a measure imposing tougher criminal penalties for desecration of cemeteries, inspired by incidents in the Edwardsville-Glen Carbon area.

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Van Zandt

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likelihood, and said they needed to get their client to the FBI," he said.

At the time, Van Zandt said he did not know who was involved, but it was later revealed that the detective's client was David Kaczynski, the brother of the alleged Unabomber.

Van Zandt said David Kaczynski was "brave" for coming forward.

"I think the family moved slowly because they wanted to be right," he said. "Unfortunately (the analyses) confirmed his fears."

As a former chief hostage negotiator for the FBI, Van Zandt is also much in demand for his insights in the Montana Freeman stand-off.

"I've been watching what they (the FBI) did there," he said. "These kinds of situations, group members keep repeating their beliefs to one another."

"Your own rumors become reality," he said.

After the team negotiating the standoff between the FBI and David Koresch at Waco, Van Zandt wrote a threat assessment on the situation and recommended "action other than tactical confrontation," and later testified before Congress on the aftermath of the Waco and Ruby Ridge incidents.

He said the FBI seemed to have learned some important lessons.

"I don't want to see the FBI going up against Americans guns to guns unless it's absolutely necessary," he said. "I think the FBI has learned from that."

Van Zandt's sister, Peggy Law of Granite City, said she has been taping his television appearances.

"We're recording everything," she said.

On Tuesday, that included Good Morning America, the CBS Morning News, Larry King Live and Dateline.

"We're really proud," she said. "I usually don't like to brag about him but this is so spectacular."

Law said that after he graduated from Granite City High School in 1963, he went into the military and served in Vietnam, then went to Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. In 1983 he received a master's degree in public administration from the State University of New York at Brockport.

Annexation

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million, but the village had only approximately \$100,000 in insurance.

Since then the village has been operating out of a donated tract, and has approved purchasing two used fire trucks to replace the ones destroyed in the blaze.

Some National City elected officials have said they do not want to see the municipality disbanded or annexed. National City was at one time a traditional "company town" set up and controlled by the National Stockyard Co., which still owns most of the village's property. The company apparently continues to own all of the residential property. Because of that, the company pays almost all of the village's property tax, at more than \$14 per \$100 assessed value, one of the highest — if not the highest — rates in the state. Fairmont City's tax rate is 97 cents per \$100, while the city of Madison's is \$2.59.

Robert McGlynn, an attorney for the stockyards, said company officials have complained about the high taxes they have to pay.

He said the village's attempts to continue operating "don't make any sense to us."

Given the fact that this fire occurred and wiped out the entire fire department, this would be the time to earnestly look around," he said.

Funeral summary

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

ANDREWS, Edna Ellen (Holman), 83, of Madison died at 6:42 a.m. Thursday, April 4, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Tuesday at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Madison, by the Rev. John Q. Owens. Burial in the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County. Arrangements by Nash Funeral Home, East St. Louis.

COLP, Howard E., 75, of Granite City died Saturday, April 6, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Tuesday at Werner Chapel for funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Fred Boatright. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to American Cancer Society.

JUDGE, M. Arnold, 81, of Edwardsville died at 3:24 a.m. Saturday, April 6, 1996, in Edwardsville. Services were Tuesday at First Baptist Church, Edwardsville, by the Rev. J.R. Heikes. Burial in Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville. Arrangements by Mater Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Memorials to

First Baptist Church or Senior Citizen Services.

MUELLER, Robert R., 55, of Valmeyer died Sunday, April 7, 1996, at St. Clement Hospital in Red Bud. Services were Wednesday at Quernheim Funeral Home, Waterloo, by the Rev. David R. Riehl. Burial in St. John Cemetery, Valmeyer. Memorials to St. John Recovery Fund, St. John Cemetery, or Valmeyer Music (curtain) Fund.

MYERS, Eula A. (Shelton), 84, of Granite City died at 11:05 a.m. Friday, April 5, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Monday at Niedringhaus United Methodist Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Bruce Rushing. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Memorials to Niedringhaus United Methodist Church.

PERO, Helen (Rusick), 85, of St. Louis County, formerly of Granite City, died at 11:30 p.m. Thursday, April 4, 1996, at Delmar Gardens Nursing Home in St. Louis County. Services were Monday at Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Thomas

Wise, Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Hospice of Incarnate Word, in the form of Masses or to the Alzheimer's Association.

SEGER, James William, 41, of Bernhardt, formerly of Granite City, died Wednesday, March 20, 1996, at Dexter Memorial Hospital in Dexter, Mo. Services were March 23 at Rainey Funeral Home, Bernie, by the Rev. William Thro. Burial in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County.

SHIPLEY, Robert C., 62, of Staunton, formerly of Granite City, died at 6:35 a.m. Saturday, April 6, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Tuesday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, by the Rev. Thomas Wise. Burial in St. John Cemetery, Maryville, Mo. Services were Saturday at Werner Chapel for funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial in St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

SHOEMAKER, Brad E., 7, of Madison died at 5:10 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Saturday at Werner Chapel for funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial in St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

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better things to do in their active lives.

"Often times, like everything else, they just have to make the time to find the little pieces of paper they've scattered around the house the past year," Gibbons said. "Plus the fact that most people receive no benefit from filing and want to put it off as long as they can."

Most people were aware that Congress "sat on things" and made few adjustments to the tax law that affect the majority of taxpayers, he said, so they weren't waiting to take advantage of those changes.

Among changes Congress did make this year is that self-employed taxpayers or members of a partnership can deduct 30 percent, instead of 25 percent, of health care premiums when calculating their gross income.

A similar change in state tax law allows the remainder, 70 percent, to be subtracted from their Illinois gross income, said one tax expert.

But those changes affect only a small percentage of people, Gibbons said. He said many filers are finding out the news is not so good this year — they owe because the stock market performed well last year and they made a lot of money on investments.

As the tax deadline nears, most accountants' calendars are booked solid — they're only seeing current clients. Newcomers will have to wait in an extension and make appointments to come in after the 15th.

But that's not so at Gibbons and Co., where new clients were pouring in this week.

"We're still taking new clients at the last minute. We try to get our returning clients done a week before the deadline so they can ask any last minute questions," Gibbons said.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, about half of taxpayers still hadn't filed their 1995 returns two weeks before the April 15 deadline.

The IRS urges taxpayers to file even though they are unable to pay additional taxes they owe.

The penalty for failing to file your return on time (when you owe money) is 10 times more severe than the penalty for failing to pay on time.

"Interest is also charged on the balance of taxes owed," said Steve Mongelluzzo, IRS public affairs officer.

Taxpayers who owe money can attach IRS Form 9465 or send a statement with their return stating they want to work out an installment agreement.

True procrastinators who want an automatic extension allowing them to file by August 15 need to submit Form 4868 by April 15. Mongelluzzo said it is advisable to pay any additional tax with the extension to avoid interest charges and possible penalties.

If you're really a procrastinator and haven't filed your 1992 tax return, you must file by April 15, 1996, to get any refund. Amendments to 1992 returns also must be filed by April 15.

For general information on numerous tax topics, the Internal Revenue Service offers a hot line with 150 tapes taxpayers can access by calling 1 (800) 829-4477.

Last minute filers in Granite City may drop their forms at the main post office on Madison Avenue Monday until midnight and still receive the April 15 postmark.

(From The Telegraph with information supplied by staff writer Bob Slate).

IRS offers suggestions

Steve Mongelluzzo, IRS public affairs officer, said those still filling out on their income forms should keep the following suggestions in mind:

• Make sure names and numbers on Social Security cards match with information on the return, including name changes due to marriage or divorce. Last year, one out of 10 returns was delayed because of inaccurate Social Security information.

Other common mistakes include incorrectly figuring earned income tax credit and tax amount from tax table; incorrectly figuring balance due or refund amount; incorrect standard deduction/personal exemption; and — believe it or not — incorrect filing status.

One tax accountant who asked not to be identified in order to protect his client's privacy said the client, a recently divorced aerospace engineer — forgot to change his filing status.

"This guy is literally a rocket scientist. But he forgot," the accountant said.

• Use a child's given name, not a nickname. Children born before Nov. 1, 1995, must have a Social Security number. Taxpayers with children born after November 1, 1995, should indicate "11/95" or "12/95" on the return if the child has not yet received a Social Security number. Everyone on an electronically filed form must have a number, Mongelluzzo said.

• Use the preprinted label, making changes if needed.

• Attach all schedules and W-2.

• Set your return aside for a day and then recheck it with a calculator.

• Write out "Internal Revenue Service" on your check — do not abbreviate.

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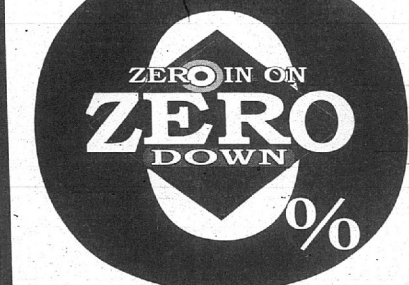
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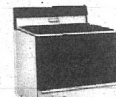
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Art Voellinger

East St. Louis, Shannon saga far from over

Spring cleaning includes my wondering if state auditors really think they'll be able to clean up the messes related to East St. Louis School District 183.

"As The World Turns" never had the intrigue of East St. Louis, where just about the time you think while blowing might get rid of the persons involved with the strange turns taken by the money flow, something else happens.

Even the area of sports cannot go unnoticed, specifically at East St. Louis Senior High, where the 1995-96 school year will be remembered as the saga of football coach Bob Shannon.

Considered a hero at East Side after leading the Flyers to six state championships and two second-place finishes in 19 seasons, Shannon jumped ship prior to the second game of the season in an effort to draw attention to wrongdoing in the district, including his concern over the allocation of money for his team's season-opening road trip to Chicago.

Before long, as the mud flew, it was revealed that Shannon had accepted money from corporations willing to pay him as a motivational speaker, but the money, including \$15,000 from Wal Mart, had been placed in his own banking account rather than directed to the receiver of the checks: East St. Louis Senior High School.

By the time the dust had cleared, Shannon remained loyal enough to plead for his job, but the school board wanted nothing to do with the coach even though he had won a National Coach of the Year honor and was the subject of a book and featured by *Sports Illustrated*.

East St. Louis' loss then became Alton High's gain as the 51-year-old coach received the support of Alton native Ed Hightower, a recognized collegiate basketball official as well as Alton grade school superintendent. Shannon gained a 7-0 Alton board approval.

Yet, that did not mean the saga would end in East St. Louis. According to a source there, Shannon is seeking \$32,000 in severance pay from the East St. Louis board for sick days accrued. In addition, the coach has submitted a letter to the board seeking pay for the entire fall football season.

Who can blame Shannon? If others have dipped into the lucrative loopholes in the teachers' contract, why shouldn't he?

If state auditors scratched their heads over how teachers were rewarded for sick days and even double pay when substituting, they should have fun with figuring whether Shannon is entitled to more as he completes his tenure at East Side.

Regardless, the spring cleaning continues at East Side, where Flyers athletic director Dr. Art May, one of the original targets of Shannon, is in the process of removing articles of clothing from what had been Shannon's personal office.

According to May, Shannon removed his personal belongings on March 13, but what remained were "19 or 20 St. Louis Cardinals football jackets (the hooded type left to Shannon when the Big Red moved), about 100 short-sleeve T-shirts from *Sports Illustrated*, 35 pairs of new football shoes and 20 fleece sweat suits (tops and bottoms)."

When asked why the clothing had not been dispersed, May's response was "That's what I don't know. We've got kids walking the halls down here who hardly have anything to wear on their back."

May must now devote attention to the Flyers' head football position. Apparently, assistant coaches are balking at Edmund Jones, who replaced Shannon and led the team to the state semifinals, returns. My bet is longtime East Side assistant Terry Hill will be the next Flyers coach, and you can bet the saga will continue.

GCCHS miscues hand Lancers lopsided win

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors are a quality baseball team. Keep remembering that. On Tuesday, the Warriors proved that even the best teams can have bad days, as they handed the Belleville East Lancers a Southwestern Conference victory on a silver platter.

Granite City played its worst game — make that worst inning — of the year, and the Lancers and pitcher Jim Pecoraro took advantage.

East plated 10 runs in a horrific fifth inning, and went on to an 11-1 win in six innings. Meanwhile, Pecoraro allowed only three hits to the Warriors, and one error for extra bases — a fourth-inning double by Ryan Relleke.

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ning double by Ryan Relleke. The Warriors fell to 6-2 overall and 1-1 in the SWC. The Lancers are also at 1-1 in the conference, and 7-2 overall. "Base on balls, an error; base on balls, two more errors," GCCHS coach Gus Lignoul said. "Then a fielder's

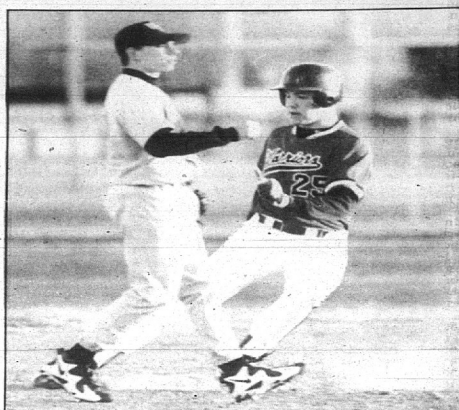
choice, a bunt single and a squeeze. Another walk or two. Until they hit that double, they'd scored five runs and hit the ball out of the infield one time."

"Up until this point of the season, our pitching and defense is really what's been our two strong points. And today, obviously they weren't. I don't think Billy Nieper pitched badly, I just don't think we played very good defense at all behind him."

On the day, Granite City committed six errors, and failed to execute correctly on two or three other chances. Meanwhile, East wasn't exactly setting the world on fire with its play in the field. The Lancers committed two errors of their own in the first three innings.

"We didn't know if we'd ever break through or not against their pitcher," said East coach Dennis Schutzenhofer. "It looked pretty dismal there for a while, but I told you."

(See GCCHS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRES) Granite City sophomore Dustin Brewer (right) pulls into second base with a double. The Warriors fell to 6-2 with Tuesday's loss to Belleville East. GCCHS is scheduled to visit Belleville West in a Southwestern Conference game at 4:15 p.m. today.

Grapplers pin down titles

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

And you thought the wrestling season was over.

Several members of the Granite City Wrestling Club took part in a pair of tough tournaments over the last two weeks, with typically excellent results.

On March 23, nine members of the club traveled to Oak Forest High School near Chicago for what coach Allen Kirgan called the "largest developmental Greek Roman tournament" in the state to date.

Granite City wrestlers competed in four different classes at the tourney: Bantam, Junior, Schoolboy and Cadet.

Four Granite City wrestlers placed first in their respective weight classes, and a fifth placed second.

In the Cadet Division, which featured wrestlers ages 15-16, Gary Oxford placed first in his weight class, as did George Kirgan. Also placing first were Bobby Grammer in the Schoolboy Division (age 14) and David Thompson in the Junior Division (age 17-18).

Pat Feigenbutz placed second in his weight class at the Bantam Division level, which features wrestlers ages 11-12.

Also competing in the tourney were Granite City residents Curtis Strain, Dennis Narvaez and Ken Cuvar. The group was transported, coached and chaperoned by coaches Tom Blaha, Gary Oxford and Kirgan.

Last weekend, the team traveled to the Junior North Plains Tournament in LaCrosse, Wis. Five Granite City wrestlers made the trip: Oxford, John Venne, Thompson, Brooks Narvaez and Ben Temple.

Oxford became the first Granite City wrestler to place in the event, as he finished second in the 98-pound Greco division. He also placed fourth in the 103-pound freestyle division.

The Greco competition was held last Thursday, while freestyle matches were held Friday and Saturday.

"He's the first I believe from Granite City to place in the 103-pound freestyle division."

(See TITLES, Page 3B)



Jan Shanafelt fields a throw at second base as Mascoutah's Sarah Weber slides in safely during last week's game.

East kickers tie up Lady Warriors

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

The girls' teams at Granite City High School are heading in two different directions at this point.

The Lady Warrior soccer team stands at 4-1 after a 0-0 deadlock against Belleville East on Tuesday. The teams played to a scoreless tie through 80 minutes of regulation and two periods of overtime.

The tie followed a 5-0 win over Belleville West last weekend for the Lady Warriors, who are now 3-1 in the Southwestern Conference. Meanwhile, the Granite City softball team is finally getting some games under its belt. The Lady Warriors have dropped their last four games to fall to 1-4 on the season after a 7-2 loss to East on Tuesday night.

After a long delay to start the season, the Lady Warriors are finally seeing a decent

stretch of weather and have now played five games.

But that pales in comparison to the Lancers, who won their fifth straight game and are 10-1 on the season.

In Tuesday's soccer game, GCCHS keeper Shannon Roth stopped 11 shots. But unfortunately for the Lady Warriors, East's Nikki Delgado stopped all 18 shots she faced.

Granite City had the advantage in field position throughout the match, particularly in the first half. The Lady Warriors outshot the Lancers 10-4 and had four corner kick opportunities to none for East.

Play was more even in the second half, but the majority of the chances still belonged to the Lady Warriors.

The tie followed a strong effort in last week's 5-0 win over Belleville West. Granite City poured 23 shots worth of offense on the West (See LADY WARRIORS, Page 3B)

Tri-City racing series set to begin

By Steve Birmingham
Correspondent

In recognition of the Granite City Centennial Celebration, and the settlement in 1896 of the Niedringhaus Brothers' Mill Tri-City Speedway opens its \$250,000 Pepsi-Cola Racing Series on Saturday with the "Salute to Granite City."

Tri-City changed hands several times after its construction as a quarter-mile dirt track in 1961. One year later, 1,000-foot straightaways and 450-foot turns were added to increase the speedway's distance to a half-mile.

The wide straightaways measure 55-60 feet in width and share a common straightaway with Tri-City's banked quarter-mile.

Purchased in 1991 by Bob Wente, Tri-City continues to offer St. Louis-area racing fans the best in professional touring organizations in the nation, and 1996 will prove to be even better.

The \$250,000 Pepsi Racing Series gets the green light Saturday, and continues every Saturday night through September. The series includes the introduction of the Champion Spark Plug Race Trucks to the St. Louis area.

Based on 1977-or-newer American-made, production-model pickup trucks, the Race Trucks are all-out race vehicles that will compete on Tri-City's tightly banked quarter-mile speedway.

The Skool Racing Sprint Cars, Budweiser Grand American Modifieds and Red Dog Pro Stocks will also compete each Saturday on the lightning-fast half-mile while the Mountain Dew Street Stocks will compete on the quarter-mile oval.

Tri-City Speedway continues to offer an affordable entertainment value, including free parking. Most events are priced at \$9 for adults, \$5 for students ages 11-17 and \$2 for children 10 and under.

On April 26-28, Tri-City Speedway will be a part of the United States Modified Series Triple Crown weekend.

The weekend begins at the 67 Raceway Park in Godfrey with (See TRI-CITY, Page 3B)

Hayes hoping to prove stock at LCCC

By Rob Raphael
Staff writer

Granite City soccer player Jeff Hayes is a man with a mission.

Hayes, who struggled to regain his form last fall, never did progress as far as he would have liked.

Hayes had major knee surgery before last season, and is still trying to fully recover from that. Now, he'll get another chance to show his stuff, as Hayes has received a scholarship to play at Lewis & Clark College in Godfrey.

The two-year school will give Hayes a chance to do a couple

of things. He said it will give scouts another look at his talents, because he firmly believes he can play at the Division I level.

And Hayes also said the time spent at the junior college level will give him the chance to concentrate on general studies until he decided which path he wants to follow.

"My coach for our club team played for Lewis & Clark, and he told me about the school," said Hayes, 18. "And I was interested, because it gives me another chance to play Division I soccer. Scouts will be looking at me, and I didn't get

the chance to show people what I could do as a senior because of my knee surgery."

Hayes is currently playing club soccer for the Elks' U-18 team, and he said he will continue to do that until the fall.

"I need to work on my conditioning, of course, and my individual skills," Hayes said. "I'll work on getting my touch back, and beating defenders."

Hayes, the son of Roger and Yvonne Hayes of Granite City, said his senior year of soccer was disappointing.

"I'd always hoped that in my senior year I'd be starting and contributing to the team's success," he said. "I had to

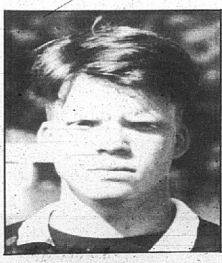
find my role and help the team any way I could as a senior."

"I'd hoped to come into my senior year in shape and at the same level as before. I didn't realize coming back from the surgery would be such a slow process."

"But I've had a lot of time to work on it, and it's much better now."

Hayes has been seeing plenty of action for the Elks' team, which recently completed a tournament in Collinsville. Hayes played four games in two days with no ill effects.

Hayes will play for Tim Rooney at LCCC, and will get a (See HAYES, Page 3B)



Jeff Hayes
GCCHS senior



Granite City's Kara Coleman takes a swing. The Lady Warriors are scheduled to play host to Belleville West today.

•Lady Warriors

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The Lady Warriors got goals from Katie Curran, Kelly Sumpter, Carrie Simpson, Amber Hubert and Felicia Mohsen to put away the Maroons.

On Tuesday, Natalie Bennett drove in three runs with three hits, and two other Lancers had a pair of hits in East's softball win over the Lady Warriors.

But it was mostly errors by the young GCHS defense that made the difference again. The Lady Warriors committed four errors on the day, leading to four unearned runs off starter Jennifer Willis.

Christina Greathouse was the

only GCHS player with more than one hit against East.

Greathouse was also the pitcher in Monday's 9-2 loss to Edwardsville. Errors again doomed the Lady Warriors, along with too many bases on balls by Greathouse.

The soccer team had a match-up Wednesday with Dave Ames and the O'Fallon Lady Panthers, before taking the rest of this week off. Next up for the Lady Warriors is a game Monday at McCluer North.

The softball team will face Belleville West in a conference home game today. Barring any make-up dates, the team's next game is set for April 18 at Collinsville.

•Hayes

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real chance of playing as a freshman, he said. He'll also get to play with one of his teammates through four years at GCHS — Buddy Prazma, who also got a scholarship at the school.

"I think that should help me feel more comfortable, especially at the beginning," Hayes said. "I know a couple of other guys on the team, including John Niselski, but I'm not sure if he'll play this year or not."

"I like the coach, and I like the campus. It's a smaller campus, but I like that. I feel like I'll get better help from the faculty since the teacher-to-student ratio is very small. And several of the (GCHS) alumni have played there."

Hayes said he is currently undecided on what course of study he'll eventually take. He said it's likely he'll study elementary education or physical

therapy.

And his goal is clear. Hayes knows he wants to play Division I soccer somewhere, and he believes he can get a scholarship to do just that.

"I just began playing without my knee brace recently," he said. "So it's coming along well. I feel like I could have played Division I this year, but of course I want to make it as easy on my parents as possible. So hopefully I'll get some looks."

Hayes said he received tremendous amounts of help from each of his parents, as well as the GCHS coaching staff.

"Coach (Gene) Baker really helped me, ever since I was a little kid coming to the camps," Hayes said. "And he, plus coaches (Virgil) Kirksey and (David) Ames helped me through my knee problems. And I thank my parents for the time and opportunities they gave me to play."

•Titles

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this area to place there," Allen Kirgan said. "John Yenne was two matches away from placing, and when T.J. Slay competed here, he also finished two matches away. There are kids there from all over the country, so this is quite an accomplishment."

The wrestlers who competed in LaCrosse were transported and chaperoned by Jean Venne.

Kirgan added that the Northern Plains tourney is an open event, with people attending from across the country. This tournament used to be used as a regional stop for the national tournament.

Also last weekend, several other wrestlers traveled to the AAU Folk Style Nationals in Tulsa, Okla. The top six wrestlers in the national level event placed. Among them was George Kirgan, who placed in the Cadet 160 class. Cory Nance, who competed at the 45-pound, 8-under division, placed fifth in his division.

Also competing in Tulsa were T.J. Nance, Troy Howell, Jeff Carney and Austin Wagner. All of the Granite City wrestlers who went to the AAU tourney won at least one match. T.J. Nance finished seventh, one spot from placing.

Accompanying those wrestlers were coaches Tom Nance, Gary Wagner and Jeff Carney.

•GCHS

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after the fourth that the way you come back is to keep the faith and remain positive, and the hits will start to fall in. And boy, they sure did."

Uh, yeah. East sent 14 batters to the plate in the fifth inning and scored 10 runs, although only seven of them were earned.

The 11th batter of the inning, Greg Distler, had perhaps the biggest hit, as his line drive to left-center came with the bases loaded and scored three runs.

But before that hit, East had already scored five runs on only one hit.

Meanwhile, the Warriors were facing the Lancers' ace, Pecoraro.

The 6-foot-4 righthander had two pitches working on Tuesday, and allowed only three hits. He struck out nine and didn't walk a batter.

"We're pretty confident when we have Pecoraro on the mound," Schutzenhofer said.

"We're pretty sure we'll be in a tight ballgame," Nieper and Pecoraro actually appeared to be matching each other pitch for pitch through the first four innings.

Both pitchers worked their way out of trouble spots early. But things fell apart for the Warriors in the fifth, which seemed to take forever to play.

As far as execution, "They did and we didn't," Lignoul said. "We played as the score indicated."

Schutzenhofer said his team will have to execute as it did against the Warriors throughout the SWC season.

"We work a lot on our squeeze plays, and all the little factors of the game," he said. "But the Warriors will move some people around, and they'll score some runs. They're a good team."

"They hit some balls hard the first three innings, but they hit them right at us. Then we get the bases loaded, and we strike out," Lignoul said.

"They helped us out a little bit, and we didn't strike out, and don't even swing the bat. We give credit to the pitcher in that situation."

The Warriors will hope to put the game behind them and react the same way East did after a heartbreaking defeat last week.

"We had our bubble burst against West the (Friday) State Schutzenhofer said. "We really expected to win that game. But we've played well, and won three straight since State game, so we're real happy right now."

Lignoul said his team has to put the game out of its mind, but it can't forget what happened.

"There's nothing we can do about it now, but we always preach good defense," he said. "If you go out and have an inning like that, you're going to get beat every time. Especially in this conference."

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Sports shorts

SIUE camps
Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville will offer baseball and softball camps for youths on two different experience levels in June.

The baseball fundamentals camp, for ages 7-13, will be held 9-11:30 a.m. June 10-14. The cost is \$85. A baseball advanced camp, for ages 10-18, will be held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. June 17-20. The cost is \$100. Youths may participate in both camps for \$150.

The softball camps are for sixth through eighth graders. A fundamentals camp will be held 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. June 10-11. The cost is \$60 and includes lunch. A softball pitching camp will offer two sessions June 13-14: for beginners 9-10:30 a.m. noon, and for advanced players 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$55.

Also scheduled is a speed and flexibility camp for all sports from 6-8 p.m. June 17-21. The camp is open to athletes ages 10-18, and the cost is \$50.

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Campers of all ages in wrestling and cross country will be offered this summer at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

A volleyball individual skills

camp, for sixth through 12th graders, will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 22-23. The cost is \$60 and includes lunch.

A wrestling camp for students through the level of high school juniors with previous experience will be held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. June 10-14. The cost is \$135.

A cross country team camp, for boys and girls in grades 6-12, will be held 6-8 p.m. July 22-23. The cost is \$30 for a team of six or seven, \$250 for a team of five and \$60 for individuals without a team.

For more information, call 692-2660.

U.S.-France women's soccer
The U.S. women's soccer team will face the women's national soccer team of France at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 26 at the St. Louis Soccer Park. The match is presented by U.S. Soccer.

The U.S. team, led by stand-out Mia Hamm, is the same squad that will represent the country in the Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

Tickets are \$12 per person and group discounts are available. For more information, or to reserve tickets, call Mike Moore at the Prairie State Games office (632-1002).

PSG kickoff reception
Steve Miller, director of

sports marketing for Nike, Inc., will serve as the keynote speaker at the Prairie State Games Kickoff Reception on Sunday, April 28 at St. Clair Square's center court.

Miller, a native of Illinois, and a graduate of both Bradley University in Peoria (B.S., 1965) and Governors State University in Park Forest (M.A., 1970), has been with Nike since 1991 and also has served as the company's director of athletics and director of international sports marketing.

Prior to joining Nike, Miller served as athletic director at Kansas State University (1988 to 1991), executive director of the Pennsylvania State Olympics (1987-88), associate athletic director at Kansas State University (1985-87) and men's, and women's track and cross country coach at Kansas State University (1981-85) and California Polytechnic University (1976-81).

KTVM Channel 2 sports director Pete Peterson will also be on hand to serve as master of ceremonies.

The kickoff reception will begin at 7 p.m., and will include tickets and food followed by a sports auction. The cost is \$50 per person and corporate tables are available. For more information, call the PSG office at 632-1002.

•Tri-City

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a 30-lap feature that pays \$1,200 to win.

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night stop at Tri-City, for another 30-lap, \$1,200 event.

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Melinda Davis
and Jay BroadwaterDavis-
Broadwater

Melinda Faye Davis, daughter of Gerald and Bonnie Davis of Granite City, and Jay Ryan Broadwater, son of Tom Saunders of Wood River and the late Bonnie Saunders, have announced their engagement.

Davis, of Granite City, is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School. She is employed in the order room at A.G. Edwards and Sons Inc. in St. Louis.

Broadwater, a 1986 graduate of Edwardsville High School, is employed with American Vending in St. Louis as a route driver.

An April 27 wedding at Granite City Church of God is being planned.

Donna Jeremias
and Tony ElliottJeremias-
Elliott

Donna Jeremias, daughter of Bill Jeremias of Fairview Heights and Ella Kehl of Marine, and Tony Elliott, son of Lynnell and Clarence Elliott of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Jeremias, of Granite City, is a 1979 graduate of Triad High School. She is employed at B-Line Systems in Highland and has her own disc jockey business.

Elliott, also of Granite City, is a 1978 graduate of Granite City High School. He is employed with Prairie Farms Dairy in Granite City.

An April 11 wedding at the West 22nd Baptist Church in Granite City is being planned.

Monica Moore
and Michael BaileyMoore-
Bailey

Monica A. Moore, daughter of Charles A. Moore of Caseyville and Vicki L. Moore of Granite City, and Michael A. Bailey, son of Ronald M. and Catherine A. Bailey of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Moore, of Granite City, is a 1992 graduate of Collinsville High School and a January 1994 graduate of the Academy of Beauty Culture in Granite City.

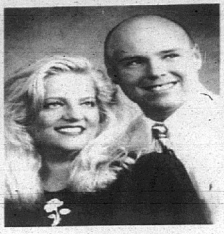
Bailey is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School. The couple is planning a wedding on May 18 at the Gazebo in Wilson Park in Granite City.

Michelle Jones
and Timothy McIlvoyJones-
McIlvoy

Michelle Jones, daughter of Michael and Jean Jones of Granite City, and Timothy McIlvoy, son of Larry and Donna McIlvoy of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Jones, of Granite City, is a 1982 graduate of Granite City South High School. She is employed with A.G. Edwards Inc. in St. Louis as a transfer coordinator.

McIlvoy, a 1979 graduate of Granite City North High School, is a machinist at St. Louis Die Casting. A June 1 wedding at New Bethel United Methodist Church in Glen Carbon is being planned.

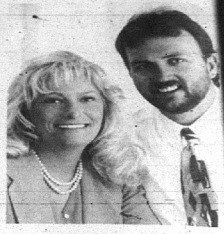
Stacie Foreman
and David MillerForeman-
Miller

Stacie R. Foreman, daughter of F. David and Patty Foreman of Granite City, and David P. Miller, son of George and Jeanne Miller of St. Louis, have announced their engagement.

Foreman, of Granite City, is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1990 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a bachelor of science degree.

Miller, a 1982 graduate of Rosary High School in St. Louis, is employed with Anheuser-Busch in St. Louis as a computer analyst.

A June 22 wedding at Maryville First Baptist Church in Maryville is being planned.

Stephanie Foreman
and Tim AtterberryForeman-
Atterberry

Stephanie Foreman, daughter of F. David and Patty Foreman of Granite City, and Tim Atterberry, son of Leon and Marcella Atterberry of Kingdom City, Mo., have announced their engagement.

Foreman, of Granite City, is a 1990 graduate of Metro East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville and a 1994 graduate of the Missouri School for Doctors Assistants.

Atterberry, a 1986 graduate of Calhoun High School, is employed with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 649 in Godfrey as an apprentice lineman.

A June 22 wedding at Maryville First Baptist Church in Maryville is being planned.

In the military

Timothy Johnson

Air Force Airman Timothy W. Johnson has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

He received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Johnson is the son of Mary L. Johnson and Timothy A. Johnson, both of Granite City. He is a 1995 graduate of Granite City High School.

James Jacobs

Navy Airman Recruit James D. Jacobs, son of David J. Jacobs of Granite City, recently reported for duty at U.S. Naval Station Roosevelt Roads



Timothy Johnson

in Puerto Rico.

The 1995 graduate of Granite City High School joined the

Navy in January 1995.

James Bennett

Navy Lt. James L. Bennett, son of Delores Van Vleet of Madison, has returned to Norfolk, Va., after completing a six-month overseas deployment to the Adriatic Sea, near Bosnia, and to the Persian Gulf, near Iraq, aboard the aircraft carrier USS America.

Bennett is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines aboard the carrier who completed the 51,000-mile voyage.

The 1972 graduate of Collinsville High School joined the Navy in July 1972. Bennett is a 1995 graduate of Northern Illinois University in DeKalb with a master's degree and a 1986 graduate of Troy State University in Troy, Ala., with a bachelor's degree.

Charles Chambers

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Charles Chambers, son of Thurston Chambers of Venice, was designated an enlisted surface warfare specialist while serving aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Normandy, home-ported in Norfolk, Va.

To earn the surface warfare insignia, Chambers demonstrated superior knowledge and proficiency at numerous shipboard stations, especially during emergency and battle conditions. Other requirements for the designation include being in the top categories of leadership and performance, and passing an oral and written examination.

Chambers, a 1991 graduate of Venice High School, joined the Navy in July 1991.

Lumb-
Evans

Monica Anne Evans and William Boyd Lumb were married Jan. 13, 1996, at Ashland United Methodist Church in St. Joseph, Mo., by the Rev. Robert McComb.

The bride is the daughter of Tally Evans of Wood River. A graduate of Northeast Missouri State University, she is employed with Magnatek in St. Louis as a corporate accountant.

The groom is the son of Ron and Nancy Lumb of St. Joseph. He is a recent graduate of Northeast Missouri State University.

Janet French of Rolla, Mo., was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Marcy Uhl and Angie Mullins.

Jeff Lumb of St. Joseph, brother of the groom, was the

William and
Monica Lumb

best man. The groomsmen were Shawn Mullins and Brian Miller.

The ushers were Andy Sullivan of Springfield, Mo., and Rick Evans of Wood River.

A reception was held at the Holiday Inn.

Following a honeymoon to Keystone, Colo., the couple moved to St. Louis.

Pruett-
Swift

Laura L. Pruett, daughter of William and Lovell Pruett of Granite City, and Gary W. Swift Jr., son of Gary Swift Sr. and Diane Swift of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Pruett, of Granite City, is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1993 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville with a bachelor of science degree in business administration, specializing in finance. She is employed with National Steel Corporation in Granite City as a cost analyst.

Swift, also a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School, is currently attending Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville School of Education studying to be an elementary school teacher. He will graduate in December. He is employed with Amoco Direct Operations as an assistant manager.

A July 20 wedding is being planned.

Laura Pruett
and Gary Swift Jr.

Swift, also a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School, is currently attending Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville School of Education studying to be an elementary school teacher. He will graduate in December. He is employed with Amoco Direct Operations as an assistant manager.

A July 20 wedding is being planned.

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Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Continue with a controversial course of action. Union members receive good news. Soften your position regarding youngsters. You'll be rehired or promoted now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Financial adjustments favor you. Retirees get benefits and long-denied privileges. Settle arguments, and don't keep bringing up the past. A romantic betrayal as a one-time thing. Curtail extraneous activities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Fight for a project, plan or belief. Someone you used to know well has the power to help you — ask. Consult relatives about a key decision. You have more options than you realize.

CANCER (June 22-July 22):

Romantic impassions mean that you must back off. Money comes from a surprise source. Long-term solutions must be found. Avoid emotional statements. Succeed with job interviews.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Preliminary findings could mislead you — get data in writing. Previous relationships interfere with a new one. Telephone or lunch with influential friends.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 11): Maintain a current course of action and you'll get huge concessions in May and windfalls in August. Job security increases when you speak up now. Business success comes in late '96. Lovers return this summer. Ask for commitments in September. Love Cancers and Aquarians.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Re-evaluate a decision made long ago or you'll lose out on something or someone you truly want. Employers fight to keep you from competitors.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Independence is costly — recognize the price before you make major changes. Breakups are temporary. Get away from untrustworthy partners.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): An explosive family situation is about to erupt. Waylay money problems by talking to creditors. Call an old friend. Focus on health and exercise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have luck with publicity, advertising and promoting your own talents. Artists find ways to market their work.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Forget ongoing situations, and concentrate on a once-in-a-lifetime creative opportunity. Get the project that's in your head down on paper. You have luck with a new investment plan.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The current love of a friend has his or her eye you. Be prudent. Handle details yourself. Your style gets you a glamorous assignment. Secretaries move into management.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Recognize the goals of an adversary and you'll get a great advantage. You have success with writing, lecturing and contests. Check records and you'll find key information.

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See fiddling Saturday

Of interest to area country music fans and musicians is the 17th Annual O'Fallon Fiddle Contest and Bluegrass Show, slated for 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 13 at the O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Hall on U.S. 50.

This event, which showcases some of the Midwest's finest fiddlers, always attracts a full house of area bluegrass and country music fans, with some of the participants coming from as far as Kentucky and Texas.

The competition should be even more exciting this year with the expansion of the Junior Fiddler's Contest, with a large contingent of junior contestants expected.

Following the contest, National Open fiddle champion George Portz and his award-winning "Friends of Bluegrass" band will pick some rousing, hand-clapping, foot stomping bluegrass and country music.

Featured on this year's show will be the award-winning Happy Tapper Cloggers, clogging to the music of the Illinois State harmonica champion, Cliff Patterson, as well as a special Cajun music set featuring the fine singing of Zane Prosser.

The Knights of Columbus will be serving meatloaf dinners and sandwiches throughout the evening. George Portz is the wrestling coach at Collinsville High School.

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